

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. – 10. (canceled)

11. (currently amended) A computer implemented service of searching documents wherein servers comprising document databases and programs to manipulate said databases are dispersed over a network and a client connected to said servers performs a document search, said service providing a document search method comprising the steps of:

making a first search input of a set of keywords, fragments of a document or any desired set of documents to a first document database;

conducting a first search of said first document database based on said first search input;

retrieving at least one document from said first document database as a result of said first search;

selecting and inputting at least one of said at least one retrieved document to said first document database;

making a weighted term list, whereby each term is given a first weight, from said at least one inputted document, the first weight of each term reflecting the importance of the term in the first document database; wherein a user interface is provided in which any of said at least one document retrieved by said first search is

selected or deselected, and a set of said at least one document that is selected via said interface is used in making the first weighted term list; and

selecting at least one term from said weighted term list,

expanding said first search with a second search of a second document

~~database-based on~~ using said at least one term selected from said weighted term list made from said at least one inputted document retrieved as a result of said first search; wherein said weighted term list is used as a second search input that performs for performing said second search of said second document database;

retrieving at least one document from said second document database as a result of said second search,

calculating a second weight of each term used as the second search input, which reflects the importance of the each said term, ~~of to~~ each document-derived retrieved from the second document database by the second search;

finding out a relevance of each document-derived retrieved from the second document database by calculating an overall weight on both said weighted term list and the calculated second weights for each document with respect to terms common in both; and

~~wherein an interface is provided in which any of said documents retrieved by said first search is selected or deselected, and a set of said at least one document that is selected via said interface is used in preparing the second search input that searches said second document database; and~~

displaying results of said finding step on a display unit.

12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) The computer implemented service of searching documents as defined in claim 11, wherein the client transmits the set of said at least one document selected via said interface to a first server where said first document database is stored, ~~receives a summary compiled at the first server comprising only topic words related to the set of said at least one document which is sent~~ the weighted term list from said first server, sends the second search input ~~corresponding to said summary reflecting a user's evaluation of the summary~~ to a second server where said second document database is stored, and receives a ~~search~~ the result from the second search of said second document database.

14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended) A computer implemented service of searching documents wherein servers comprising document databases and programs to manipulate said databases are dispersed over a network and a client connected to said servers performs a document search, said service providing a document search method comprising the steps of:

making a first search input of a set of keywords, fragments of a document or any desired set of documents to a first document database;

conducting a first search of said first document database based on said first search input;

retrieving at least one document as a result of said first search;

selecting and inputting at least one of said at least one retrieved document to said first document database;

making a weighted term list, whereby each term is given a first weight, from said at least one inputted document, the first weight of each term reflecting the importance of the term in the first document database;

selecting at least one term from said weighted term list;

expanding said first search with a second search of a second document database ~~based on~~ using said at least one term selected from said weighted term list ~~made from said at least one inputted document retrieved as a result of said first search;~~

~~wherein said weighted term list is used as a second search input that performs for performing~~ said second search of said second document database;

wherein the client transmits said at least one document to a first server where said first document database is stored, ~~receives a summary comprising only topic words related to said at least one document which is sent~~ the weighted term list from said first server, sends the second search input ~~corresponding to said summary reflecting a user's evaluation of the summary to the~~ to a second server where said second document database is stored, and ~~receives a search~~ the result from the second search of said second document database; and

displaying results of said second search on a display unit.

16. (canceled)

17. (currently amended) The computer implemented service of searching documents as defined in claim 15, wherein the client has ~~an~~ a user interface that ~~selects in which~~ any of said at least one document retrieved by said first search is selected or deselected, and ~~that selects in which~~ document databases are selected to be searched, a set of ~~documents~~ said at least one document thus selected is sent to ~~a first~~ the first server as specified by the user, ~~a summary~~ the weighted term list of the set of documents is received from said first server, and ~~the summary received weighted term list~~ is sent to ~~a second~~ the second server comprising said second document database, ~~and search results are received from the search of said second document database and displayed.~~

18. (canceled)

19. (previously presented) The computer implemented service of searching documents as defined in claim 13, wherein the client sends the second search input corresponding to said summary reflecting a user's evaluation of the summary to a second server where said second document database is stored; the second server calculates the second weight of each term; the second server finds out the relevance of each document derived from the second document database; and the client receives the search result from the search of said second document database in accordance with the relevance.